



# The City of Lynchburg, Virginia

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*Over the last year, the Lynchburg Department of Parks & Recreation has been working with a group of concerned Citizens exploring the development of an off-leash dog park. In order to better understand public perception surrounding this issue, we are asking that you please take a few minutes to complete this user demand survey. Thank you! We greatly appreciate your timely response.*

1. Do you have dogs? (check one) ☐ YES ☐ NO
2. Would you support an off-leash dog park in Lynchburg? (check one) ☐ YES ☐ NO
3. How often would you use a dog park? (check one)  
☐ Once a month ☐ Once a week ☐ Multiple times per week
4. What time of day would you most likely use a dog park? (check one/fill in)  
☐ 6am to 9am ☐ 4pm to 7pm ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
5. What is your resident zip code? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Are you aware of any unofficial off-leash areas in Lynchburg? (check one) ☐ YES ☐ NO (If yes, please list):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. What features are essential in a successful fenced dog park? Rank your top three priorities from 1- 3, with 1 being the highest priority.  

_____ Separate area for small dogs	_____ Pet waste station	_____ Shade
_____ Double gated entry	_____ Restrooms	_____ Benches
_____ Drinking water	_____ Parking close to site	_____ Staff/Volunteer monitors

Other suggested features \_\_\_\_\_
8. For health and safety reasons, dogs using the dog park must be licensed and be current on all vaccinations. Would you be willing to show proof of proper vaccination and obtain a dog license so that your dog(s) may use the dog park? (check one)  
☐ YES ☐ NO
9. In order to help pay for park operating costs, a small, nominal park membership fee might need to be assessed. Would you be willing to pay this fee in order to use the dog park? (check one)  
☐ Yes, I'm willing to pay a nominal membership fee, if needed  
(If yes, how much per year would you be willing to pay per dog? \$ \_\_\_\_\_)  
☐ No, I am not willing to pay for this service
10. In order to have a successful dog park, owners must be responsible for cleaning up after their dogs. Would you pick up after your pet if pet waste stations were provided? (check one)  
☐ YES ☐ NO
11. Dog parks can be staffed or unstaffed (depending upon funding). Would you be more likely to use a dog park that was staffed or unstaffed?(check one)  
☐ Self-monitored ☐ Staffed ☐ Makes no difference

(Please turn over ->)

12. If the dog park were "self monitored" by citizen-users of the park (unstaffed), would you feel comfortable politely asking an individual to remove their dog from the park if you believed their dog was acting aggressively? (check one)

☐ YES

☐ NO

13. Would you willingly remove your dog from the park if your dog showed signs of aggression? (check one)

☐ YES

☐ NO

14. The Dog Park Committee is looking for volunteers to help with the implementation and management of the dog park. If you would like to volunteer, please provide your name, telephone number and/or email below so that we may contact you with additional details:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

15. The Dog Park will need financial start up and working capital. If it is necessary to fundraise among the public, would you be willing to contribute? If so, please complete any that apply below:

- Annual financial amount \_\_\_\_\_
- One time donation of money/equipment \_\_\_\_\_
- Weekly/monthly/quarterly services \_\_\_\_\_
- Can you recommend any individuals, businesses and/or corporations who we may contact that would be willing to support or aid in fundraising for a Dog Park?

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16. Do you have other recommendations, concerns, or comments?

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*The Dog Park Committee would like to hear from you on this issue. For more information about this survey or if you have any questions, please contact Niro at (434) 384-1972*

*(Note: if you are mailing this completed survey, please fold this sheet into thirds so that the address is showing, use tape or staples to seal it closed, and affix a first-class stamp on the space provided)*

*THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO RESPOND TO THIS SURVEY!*

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